

## **DEDICATION**

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This year the Alton Town Report is dedicated to the men and women presently serving in our Armed Forces. We also acknowledge our veterans who have previously served in the United States military service worldwide, and the troops who have protected America and the rights of citizens in other countries from tyranny and oppression.

We recognize the sacrifices that are being made by our service personnel, particularly in Iraq and Afghanistan. It is agonizing to hear news reports of the terrorist activities, tortures and bombings encountered by our military and civilian personnel, and by our allies. Our deepest sympathy is extended to every family who has lost a loved one as a result of combat operations and to those personnel who have suffered injuries.

To all our Armed Forces, we support you. We extend our sincere thanks and appreciation for the work you are doing, for hardships and sacrifices made, for your courage and endurance, for extended tours of duty, for your service in behalf of our country and others. You are heroes and we salute you.

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